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Orangeburg, S. C.Merry, merry Christmas! Hap-  
py, happy New Year!!Now is the time to form good  
resolutions for the New Year.We have not had an epistle from  
Teddy now in about five days. What  
is the matter?The whole country will be very  
thankful when the Roosevelt dy-  
nasty ends in March.That Hartsville crime would in-  
dicate that it is not safe to leave  
ladies alone at home in the towns  
even at night.Plenty to the poor, charity to the  
rich, gratitude to Almighty God and  
a Merry Christmas to all is the wish  
of The Times and Democrat.The black fiend who committed  
that heinous crime in Hartsville, if  
caught, should be strung up just as  
soon as his guilt could be deter-  
mined.One editor says the "Prosperity  
Smiles" published by The State  
made him feel so good that he for-  
got he had overdrawn his bank ac-  
count. But still the overdraft was  
there.People boast of the faculties they  
possess, but those faculties will rise  
up in judgment against them if they  
are not developed and used to good  
purpose.Should the black fiend who en-  
tered a peaceful home in the town  
of Hartsville and outraged the wife  
of a merchant while he was away  
at his store be caught, he should  
be tried and executed as soon as  
possible.Castro, the Venezuelan fire eat-  
ing President, is now out of a job,  
and Teddy's time will soon be up.  
If some enterprising dime museum  
could cage these monstrosities and  
exhibit them it would reap a rich  
harvest for a short time.We predict that Taft and Teddy  
will fall out in less than six months  
after Taft becomes President. There  
is no bluster about Taft while Ted-  
dy is a past master at busting trusts  
with hot air, and that is the rock  
on which they will split.Presidential messages, public ad-  
dresses and pulpit discourses would  
in many cases be far more effective  
if they were shorter. However,  
great their merit and however con-  
vincing their arguments, presented  
power is lost by prolixity.The sending of Gompers and other  
labor leaders to jail for advising  
their followers not to buy a cer-  
tain stove or range by a Republican  
judge on the pretext of contempt of  
court shows the great love of the Re-  
publican party for the laboring man.The world is gradually being re-  
formed, the process would go  
on much faster if every man would  
begin with himself and not wait for  
the next man to make a start. It  
is so easy to see what others should  
do and so difficult to see our  
own duty.The interminable legal technicali-  
ties bid fair to make the suit of the  
government against the Standard  
Oil Company last as long as the ce-  
lebrated case of Jarndyce and  
Jarndyce in Dickens' "Bleak House".  
In the mean time the price of ker-  
sene, gasoline and the various by-  
products keeps up and the quarterly  
dividends show not reduction.President Castro manages to keep  
himself in the limelight without  
much difficulty. He also manages to  
keep his intentions secret, al-  
though it is rumored that he is go-  
ing to be while in France all the  
difficulties that exist between Ven-  
ezuela and certain foreign power-  
fuls will be gratifying to  
the powers, whom he has flouted  
with his attitude and a relief to this  
country.Only a short time ago military  
experts were telling of the havoc  
that would be made by air ships  
in time of war. At their own will  
they could drop combustibles and  
bombs upon cities and forts and  
wipe them off the face of the earth.  
Now military experts say that such  
doings could be practically im-  
possible and that an air ship or dirig-  
ible balloon would have as much as  
it could to look after itself in seek-  
ing to escape the shot from modern  
rifles and field guns.

## The World's Great Festival.

Christians are really the world's festival—everywhere arise and people upon the earth's surface observe it in some form. The forms may vary but the spirit is everywhere the same. The different nations of the world celebrate the virtues and illustrious deeds of their great men and we on this side of the water do the same when we celebrate the birth of Washington in February, or the birth of the nation in July, but in December the world celebrates an event which far surpasses the birth-day of Washington, or Wellington, or Napoleon or Alexander the Great, or even the birth of a nation. It is the birth of the world's Redeemer, who was given as an atonement for sin.

At this time of the year the faith of little children is strongly emphasized. Throughout the world of Christendom childhood is looking to that mysterious individual Santa Claus for the bestowal of his annual favor. Implicitly the little ones be- lieve in his existence and in his beneficence and from every letter box in the country missives to him are, trustingly dispatched. Not a few of them are most pathetic. Is not all faith typical of this child- hood faith, and are not the rewards of it similar to these? Some how, it is a part of our nature and few there be who can live very good without it. Who would take away the faith that a child has in this mys- terious personage, Santa Claus, myth though he be, and who would take from weak and frail humanity that larger sweeter trust in the eternal goodness?

Dear reader of The Times and Democrat it is our privilege to again greet you with a "Merry Christmas." We have continued our work until this time, and here we are again. Yet it is from no selfish motives, we assure you, or ambition for great emoluments that we have continued our work, or shall continue it, but only with the desire to earn our bread and meat and do good, per- adventure to brighten some life, encourage some despondent one, drop a few brief words of truth to drive error from the heart, and pos- sibly to lead some one to "choose that better part" that might not otherwise have done so. How well we have succeeded, you, reader, will have to declare. We are admonish- ed to "sow beside all waters, know- ing not which shall prosper, this or that." The Times and Democrat has entered twice every week thou- sands of home circles, the most ad- vanced precincts in the world, and it has made any home or any heart brighter because of its coming, we have been rewarded for our labor and trouble of the past year. We again wish one and all a "Merry Christmas."

## There Is Only One Remedy.

In most countries that have rep- resentative government it is a prob- lem how to make the second cham- ber more responsive to the public will. This is particularly the case just now in Great Britain, where the House of Lords, which is a non-elective body representing the peerage, is notoriously out of touch with the people. The need of some reform is so great that even the Lords them- selves admit it and recently appoint- ed a committee to suggest a plan of reform. The plan has just been pre- sented and some radical suggestions have been made. But it is doubt- ful if they will be put into effect. In England, as elsewhere, special interests hold on to their position as long as possible. The reform will have to come from without, but how and to what extent, is the ques- tion. Sooner or later, in our opinion, the English House of Lords will be abolished and in its place will be established a body similar to our Senate, but elected direct by the people. Our Senate as now constituted and elected may be put in the same class with the present English House of Lords, and it, too, should be reformed. The members should be elected directly by the people. This is the only remedy we can see for the troubles that con- front us and England in reference to the second legislative bodies.

## Human Life Cheap.

That human life is cheaply held in this land is abundantly seen, but the most startling evidence is found in the statistics of railroad and min- ing accidents. Making full allow- ance that railroad and mining are naturally hazardous occupations, and allowing also for the carelessness of many workers, the fact re- mains that adequate precautions are not taken to safeguard human life! In both occupations the number of deaths and wounded each year exceeds, both actually and relatively the casualties of any Euro- pean country, the excess being from one and a half to three times as many. The one and only thing that remedy this condition is to put the sacredness of human life above the dividends on stocks. But that will never be done as long as the dollar is put above the man. This country has gone crazy about commercialism as was shown in the last Presidential election, and until we awaken from our horrible nightmare, we may expect it to get cheaper still. What is the difference, if by sacrifice of human life we can add a few mil- lions to their holdings. We must have progress, and if thousands of human lives are sacrificed to attain it who cares? But in the meantime human life gets cheaper and cheap- er.

## The Canada Way.

Once in Canada after every gen- eral election a large number of protests are filed against the suc- cessful candidates. An election was recently held and in the province of Quebec no less than 25 protests have been entered, and in the other provinces, similar action has been taken in many instances. When the protests are all filed the game of "sawing off" begins. This consists

in the agents of one party propos- ing to the other party to drop any given number of suits provided the other party does the same. It is a vicious practice condemned by right thinking people because in many cases the protests are frivolous and only made for the trading of purpose, while in others the ends of justice are defeated and corrup- tion condoned. Canada politicians take behind the times. They ought to take a lesson or two from our Teddy and other expert campaign fund extractors. Then they could raise money enough to buy up the elec- tion and choke off all contests.

## Grifters and Bribers.

That a notorious grifter and briber in San Francisco has been found guilty is cause for satisfaction and goes a long way towards purifying the political atmosphere of that city. San Francisco, like many another large city, has for years been in the grasp of political bosses and ward politicians. The only way to stop such evils is by constantly using every legitimate means to bring the guilty ones to justice. It is generally uphill work and often a thankless one, but it must be done if communities are to be honestly and efficiently governed and their reproach wiped out. The good work started in San Francisco should be extended to other large cities that are in the grasp of the grifters and bribers.

## Caught Once Before.

When Teddy Roosevelt, the man who disgraces the high office he holds, gets cornered in any of his rascality, he tries to bluff the public by calling the people who corner him liars and other harsh names. It will be remembered how he fooled the public by vehemently denying the charge made by Judge Parker in 1904 that the trust and big cor- porations were backing Mr. Roosevelt's candidacy with their money by financing his campaign. He abused Judge Parker then the same as he is abusing Mr. Pulitzer now, and Judge Parker's charge was lost sight of, until the testimony in the insurance cases and the "My Har- riman" letters established the fact that Judge Parker was telling the exact truth.

Now Mr. Roosevelt doubtless im- agines that if he denounces Mr. Pulitzer as a liar, and threatens to use the whole power of the United States to crush him and "The World" that he will put a stop to his de- mand to know who shared in the Panama canal deal, but we believe that this is one time when Mr. Roose- velt's bluff will be called. Henry Watterson gives Pulitzer some good advice. He says:

"Skin your eyes and your eye- teeth, old man; don't let them ever catch a weasel asleep; and don't send any boys to mill. To run down a red fox like Cromwell, to circumvent a flea in a skillet like Roosevelt is a man's work, not child's play; and, if you are not resolved to strip to it, you had best call off the dogs and go gallumphing home."

The Charleston Post seems to think that Mr. Pulitzer has let Mr. Roosevelt scare him and is seeking cover. It says "The World has not fortified its position at all, nor pre- sented any front of knowledge about the mystery of Panama. If it had given a sign Mr. Roosevelt would doubtless have been more cautious. But he seems to have taken his measure, and probably he can drive it to cover, and if The World runs away and its representations are dis- credited, who is going to press the questions about the Panama canal? Mr. Roosevelt is using excellent strategy. Seeing there is to be a fight he becomes the aggressor, and he may scare the enemy from his citadel."

"I wish to make as clear as pos- sible the statement that we did not have anything to do with the dis- tribution of a dollar of the forty million dollars we paid, as regards any stockholder or bondholder of the French companies, except in so far as following the awards of the ar- bitrator appointed by the French courts to proportion the sum between the old and the new French com- panies. That is something more than the President admitted in his diatribe against Mr. Delavan Smith, and it may also be taken as a dis- claimer in advance of responsibility for anything wrong that may be discovered in the future. Mr. Roose- velt is frothing at the mouth, but he has his eye on the game, just the same."

The Christmas chimes are peal- ing, softly pealing; this joyous sounds are ringing, ever louder and clearer, nearer and nearer, like a sweet toned benediction falling on the ear. Glad ringers are pulling the ropes, and in one grand swell of melody Christmas with its old, yet ever new and marvelous mys- teries, bursts triumphantly on the earth once more.

## Bankrupt Notice.

In the District Court of the United States, for the District of South Carolina. In Bankruptcy. In the matter of J. A. Parker, Bank- rupt.

To the creditors of J. A. Parker of Ellmore, in the County of Orange- burg and District aforesaid a Bank- rupt.

Notice is hereby given, That on the 16th day of December, A. D., 1908, the said J. A. Parker, was duly adjudicated bankrupt, and that the first meeting of his creditors will be held at my office in Orange- burg, S. C., on the 31st day of De- cember, A. D., 1908, at eleven o'clock a. m., at which time the said creditors may attend, prove their claims, appoint a trustee, examine the bankrupt and transact such other business as may properly come before said meeting. Application will be made for an order for sale of both real and personal property belonging to said bankrupt estate.

JNO. S. BOWMAN, JR.,  
Referee in Bankruptcy.  
Filed Dec. 17, 1908.

Notice.  
I will be, at North station Orange- burg County every Monday, hours from 10 to 2 o'clock for the purpose of buying chickens, ducks, geese, guineas, turkeys, hogs and cows. Will give the best market prices.  
J. B. Mack,  
Swansea, S. C.  
9-19-4mo.

Wanted—Sofas, lounges, couches and chairs to recover in leather, leatherette or regular upholstery- ing cloth. Satisfaction guaran- teed. Reference given if wanted.  
M. Hatch, 59 Green St. Drop me a postal.

## For Sale.

213 acres of fine farming land, 139 acres in high state of cultivation, 50 acres clear of stumps. One nice nine- room dwelling, 2 tenant houses, large barn, good stable and other outbuildings located thereon, 2 1/2 miles of wire fencing. Also 26 1/2 acres adjoining the above tract, new four-room cottage, new barn and stable, and poultry yard and houses, and one-half mile from the town of Ellmore, S. C.

One of the best equipped farms in the vicinity.  
Good reason for selling.  
Apply to  
J. C. EVANS, Ellmore, S. C.

## Notice to Trespassers.

We, the undersigned, land owners in Zion Township, in the county of Orangeburg, in the State of South Carolina, hereby warn all persons not to trespass upon our lands. All hunting, fishing or any other form of trespassing prohibited. Any per- son caught violating this notice will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law.

Mrs. W. D. Autley.  
J. W. Mack,  
Mrs. T. M. Kennerly,  
D. J. Hughes,  
A. B. Hughes,  
W. L. Mack, M. D.,  
Mrs. H. A. Gibson,  
P. B. Sanders,  
E. Hughes,  
Mrs. J. M. Riley,  
A. E. Smack,  
J. V. Brickle,  
B. W. Jeffcoat,  
W. T. Brickle. 11-16-3m\*

## Assessment Notice.

1909.

Notice is hereby given that I, or my deputy, will be at the following named places on the days specified for the purpose of taking returns of property for taxation in Orange- burg county for the fiscal year 1909.

All taxpayers must give the num- ber of School District in which property is located. Especial care should be taken in locating property in or near special school district. School trustees in the different townships are requested to meet the Auditor at these appointments and assist in the proper location of special school and poll taxes.

All personal property owned on the first day of January, 1909, must be returned and all transfers of real estate noted.

Bowman . . . . .Wednesday, Jan. 6  
Branchville . . . . .Thursday, Jan. 7  
Rowesville . . . . .Friday, Jan. 8  
Canaan Church . . . . .Saturday, Jan. 9  
Felderville . . . . .Monday, Jan. 11  
E. E. Bulls . . . . .Tuesday, Jan. 12  
Vances . . . . .Wednesday, Jan. 13  
Parlers . . . . .Thursday, Jan. 14  
Ellmore . . . . .Friday, Jan. 15  
Livingston . . . . .Monday, Jan. 18  
Dru Sawyers . . . . .Tuesday, Jan. 19  
Springfield . . . . .Wednesday, Jan. 20  
Gleaton . . . . .Thursday, Jan. 21  
Norway . . . . .Friday, Jan. 22  
Cope . . . . .Wednesday, Jan. 27  
North . . . . .Friday, Jan. 29  
Phillips . . . . .Saturday, Jan. 30

Orangeburg Court House from Jan. 1st to Feb. 20th, inclusive.

Office hours from 9 a. m. to 2 p. m.

T. M. McMICHAEL,  
County Auditor, O. C.

## Tax Notice.

Office of County Treasurer,  
Orangeburg, S. C.

Tax duplicates will be open at the Court House for the collection of Taxes from October 15th to the 31st day of December, 1908, as follows:

State tax . . . . .5 1/2 mills  
County tax . . . . .3 " " " " " "

Road tax . . . . .1 " " " " " "

Constitutional school . . . . .3 " " " " " "

Total . . . . .12 1/2 mills

Special Taxes— Mills B.D

District No. 10 . . . . .2

District No. 11 . . . . .2

District No. 12 . . . . .2

District No. 13 . . . . .2

District No. 14 . . . . .2

District No. 15 . . . . .2

District No. 16 . . . . .2

District No. 17 . . . . .2

District No. 18 . . . . .2

District No. 19 . . . . .2

District No. 20 . . . . .2

District No. 21 . . . . .2

District No. 22 . . . . .2

District No. 23 . . . . .2

District No. 24 . . . . .2

District No. 25 . . . . .2

District No. 26 . . . . .2

District No. 27 . . . . .2

District No. 28 . . . . .2

District No. 29 . . . . .2

District No. 30 . . . . .2

## Strayed or Stolen.

Strayed or stolen from my field on the Columbia road, about eight miles from Orangeburg, a large red cow, with butt head, on Tuesday, Dec. 8. She is a dry cow. When last seen she had on a halter made out of a plow line, attached to which was a cow chain. Any information leading to her recovery will be thankfully received by  
LONEY BAXTER,  
St. Matthews, S. C.  
12-18-4\*

Notice of Application for the Ap-  
pointment of Robert E. Copes,  
Esq., Judge of Probate, for the  
County of Orangeburg, as Guar-  
dian of Clara Belle Jones, Minor.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned will make application to the Hon. Charles G. Dantzler, Judge of the First Circuit, at his chamber in the City of Orangeburg, S. C., on Monday, the fourth day of January, 1909, at ten o'clock a. m., or as soon thereafter as the petitioners can be heard, for an order appointing Robert E. Copes guardian of the estate of the said Clara Belle Jones, minor, who is now of the age of seven- teen years.

Said minor has an estate consist- ing of money of the estimated value of one thousand dollars, and real estate in the City of Orangeburg, of the estimated value of thirty-five hundred dollars, and said minor has no general or testa mentary guar- dian, and this application is made for the reason that no fit, com- petent or responsible person can be found who is willing to accept the said trust.

Said estate of said minor was acquired by her from the estate of the late Mrs. Nancy M. Wiles, grand- mother of said minor, under and by the terms of her last will and testam- ent, duly recorded in the Probate Court for said county of Or- angeburg, S. C.

CLARA BELLE JONES,  
MARY JANE CLEMENS.  
Dec. 16, 1908. 12-18-21

## Circuit Court Sale.

State of South Carolina,  
County of Orangeburg.

In Common Pleas.

Susanna Harley, etc. Plaintiff,  
against Ula Merritt, et al, De-  
fendants.

By virtue of the judgment in the above stated case, I will sell at public auction, at Orangeburg Court House, during the legal hours for sales, on the first Monday in Janu- ary, 1909, being the fourth day of said month, the following described real estate:

All that certain tract or parcel of land situate, lying and being in Goodland township, in Orangeburg county, in said State, containing seventy-five acres, more or less, and bounded on the north by lands of W. L. Ebney, on the east by lands now or formerly of J. W. Martin, on the south by lands of George Stro- man and on the west by lands now or formerly of Miss Alma Felder.

TERMS—Cash, the purchaser or purchasers to pay for all papers and all taxes falling due after the day of sale; and in case the purchaser or purchasers fail to comply with the terms of sale, said premises will be resold on the same or some subse- quent salesday, on the same terms, and at the risk of the former purchaser or purchasers.

ROBT. E. COPES,  
Judge of Probate, as Special Referee.  
December 14, 1908.

## Municipal Proclamation.

City of Orangeburg, S. C.

By Honorable J. W. H. Dukes, Mayor: By virtue of the power in me ve- sted, by section 90, of Chapter VIII of the Revised Ordinances of the City of Orangeburg, I do hereby suspend so much of said section 90 as forbids "the firing and discharging of crack- ers, sky-rockets, Roman candles and other fire works in the City of Or- angeburg," for the period between 9 o'clock p. m., of Thursday, De- cember 24th, 1908, and 12 o'clock midnight, of Friday, January 1st, 1909 (Sundays excepted), subject, however, to the following limitations and restrictions, to-wit:

1. That on Russell street from Doyle street on the north to Windsor street on the west, the firing or dis- charging of fire works shall be re- stricted to the time between 7 o'clock p. m. and 7 o'clock a. m., of the day following, except that on Friday, De- cember 25th, 1908, the same being Christmas Day, the restrictions as to time and place above specified shall be removed.

2. That on Saturday, December 26th, 1908, the firing and discharg- ing of fire works on Russell street is hereby restricted to the time between 7 o'clock p. m. and 12 o'clock mid- night.

3. That the discharging of fire works on any of the streets adjoining the present "Cotton Yard," is hereby forbidden at any time.

4. Merchants and all other citi- zens are urged and required to re- move any and all litter and other combustible matter from their prem- ises before the holidays and to keep them clean; and to this end the police department of the City is instructed and required to report any and all violations of this proclama- tion and the ordinances of the City touching this matter, and are charged with the enforcement of this proclamation and the ordinances governing the firing and discharg- ing of fire works and fire arms within the City of Orangeburg.

5. The exploding of dynamite cartridges or bombs, or any other device, the explosive force of which is dynamite, is hereby strictly prohib- ited under pain of severe penalties, anywhere within the corporate lim- its of the City of Orangeburg.

Done at the City of Orangeburg, the twelfth day of December, Anno Domini, 1908.

By the Mayor,  
Attest: J. W. H. DUKES,  
L. H. Wannamaker,  
City Clerk and Treasurer.

## Circuit Court Sale.

State of South Carolina,  
County of Orangeburg.

In Common Pleas.

William A. J. Dukes, et al., Plain-  
tiffs, against Azzie Dukes, et al.,  
Defendants.

By virtue of judgment in above stated case, I will sell, at public auc- tion, at Orangeburg Court House, during the legal hours for sales, on the first Monday in January, 1909, being the fourth day of said month, the following described real estate:

All that certain piece, parcel or tract of land, situate, lying and be- ing in \_\_\_\_\_ township, in the County of Orangeburg and State aforesaid, containing forty-two (42) acres, more or less, and bounded by lands now or formerly of the estate of Abraham Dukes, by lands of Collins and others, and more fully repre- sented and described upon a plat thereof made by Wm. L. Baldwin, surveyor, dated the third day of April, 1900, and being lands of which J. Abraham Dukes, late of said county and State, died seized and possessed.

TERMS—Cash, the purchaser or purchasers to pay for all papers and all taxes falling due after the day of sale; and in case the purchaser or purchasers fail to comply with the terms of sale, said premises will be resold on the same or some subse- quent salesday, on the same terms, and at the risk of the former purchaser or purchasers.

ROBT. E. COPES,  
Judge of Probate, as Special Referee.  
December 14, 1908.

## Circuit Court Sale.

State of South Carolina,  
County of Orangeburg.

In Common Pleas.

Susanna Harley, etc. Plaintiff,  
against Ula Merritt, et al, De-  
fendants.

By virtue of the judgment in the above stated case, I will sell at public auction, at Orangeburg Court House, during the legal hours for sales, on the first Monday in Janu- ary, 1909, being the fourth day of said month, the following described real estate:

All that certain tract or parcel of land situate in Elizabeth township, in Orangeburg county, in said State, bounded on the north by lands for- merly of Mrs. Mary A. Livingston, on the east by lands now or formerly of T. D. A. Livingston, on the south and west by lands formerly of Rachel E. Livingston and now by lands of Sidney Livingston, being the same tract of land conveyed to the said R. O. Merritt, deceased, by W. A. Cole, by his deed dated January the 8th, 1904.

TERMS—Cash, the purchaser or purchasers to pay for all papers and all taxes falling due after the day of sale; and in case the purchaser or purchasers fail to comply with the terms of sale, said premises will be resold on the same or some subse- quent salesday, on the same terms, and at the risk of the former purchaser or purchasers.

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State of South Carolina,  
County of Orangeburg.

In Common Pleas.

Hampton K. Snell, Plaintiff, against  
Hampton K. Snell, Jr., et al, De-  
fendants.